

### REMARKS

The Official Action dated June 22, 2005, has been received and its contents carefully noted. In view thereof, claims 32-34 have been canceled in their entirety without prejudice nor disclaimer of the subject matter set forth therein. As previously, claims 35-52 are presently pending in the instant application.

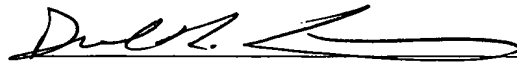
Initially, Applicants wish to acknowledge the Examiner's indication on page 2 of the Office Action that claims 35-52 are allowable over the prior art of record. In view of the foregoing cancellation of the non-allowed claims, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in proper condition for allowance and indication of such is earnestly solicited.

With further reference to page 2 of the Office Action, claims 32-34 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 in that it is the Examiner's position that the claimed invention set forth in claims 32-34 is directed to non-statutory subject matter. While the Applicant does not agree with the Examiner in this regard, in order to expedite the prosecution of the subject application, as can be seen from the foregoing amendments, claims 32-34 have been cancelled in their entirety without prejudice nor disclaimer of the subject matter set forth therein. Accordingly, with the cancellation of the rejected claims, it is respectfully submitted that Applicant's claimed invention is now in proper condition for allowance.

Therefore, in view of the foregoing it is respectfully requested that the rejection of record be reconsidered and withdrawn by the Examiner, that claims 35-52 be allowed and that the application be passed to issue.

Should the Examiner believe a conference would be of benefit in expediting the prosecution of the instant application, he is hereby invited to telephone counsel to arrange such a conference.

Respectfully submitted,



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